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## **Francis Campground at Half Moon Bay State Beach Slated for Upgrades**

(*Half Moon Bay, CA*) – The Francis campground at Half Moon Bay State Beach will close on October 20, 2014, for a campsite upgrade project. The project has been in planning stages for three years. It is part of a revenue generation program by California State Parks to raise more funds for parks through fees. The project will also benefit park visitors who look forward to having campsites with electrical hookups.

Forty of the existing 52 campsites will be upgraded to have electrical hookups. This will reduce the number of generators operating in the campground creating a quieter experience for visitors. The project will also provide for a new accessible tent campsite, in compliance with ADA standards, plus two new parking space spurs for campers.

The project is expected to take 120 days to complete. The start date is October 21, 2014. The start date was scheduled to provide camping during the Half Moon Bay Pumpkin Festival but to allow time during the typically dry weather of fall for the work to begin. If the project is completed before the 120 days, the campground will reopen early.

The rates for campsites with the new electrical hookups will be \$50 or \$65 per night (depending on location in the campground.) The remaining campsites will continue at the current rate of \$35 per night. Reservations for Francis Campground will continue to be available through Reserve America by telephone 1-800-444-PARK (7275) or online at <http://www.reserveamerica.com/campgroundDirectoryList.do?contractCode=ca>

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